Chesu language

Chesu 车苏 is a Loloish language spoken in southern Shuangbai County, northern Xinping County, and Eshan County in Yunnan, China.

The Chesu refer to themselves as *tsusu˧ pa˨˩*[2] or *tɕi˨˩su˧ pʰo˨˩* (Jishupo 吉输颇).[3] Yunnan (1955) reports that Chesu is spoken mostly in Taihe Township 太和乡, with a population of over 360 as of 1955.[2] *Ethnologue* reports 3,300 Chesu speakers out of an ethnic population of 6,600 people, as of 2007.

Bradley (2007) reports that Chesu is closely related to Nasu and classifies it as a *Nasoid* language. Chesu speakers consider themselves to be a separate ethnic group from the surrounding Nisu speakers. The Chesu language is currently being replaced by Nisu and Chinese.[4] Chesu is also used as a second language by Hlersu speakers (*Ethnologue*).

Chesu	
Native to	China
Ethnicity	Yi
Native speakers	3,300 (2007)
Language family	Sino-Tibetan ▪ (Tibeto-Burman) ▪ Lolo–Burmese ▪ Loloish ▪ Nisoish ▪ Northern Loloish ▪ Nasoid ▪ **Chesu**
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	`ych`
Glottolog	`ches1238 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/ches1238)`[1]

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